

National Aeronautics and
Space Administration



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Greenbelt, MD 20771

Reply to Attn of: 210.Y

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TO ALL PROSPECTIVE OFFERORS

**Subject: Request for Proposal (RFP) NNG12393693R, OCEAN COLOR IV
Procurement**

You are invited to submit a proposal for NASA Goddard Space Flight Center's OCEAN COLOR IV procurement. The scope of work provides a description of the services to be provided.

This procurement will be a full and open competition under Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 15.3, "Source Selection," and NASA FAR Supplement (NFS) Subpart 1815.3, "Source Selection."

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this procurement is 541712. The Small Business Size Standard is 1000 employees.

The anticipated contract type is Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ), Cost Plus Fixed Fee.

The effective ordering period of the overall IDIQ contract is five years from the contract effective date. Phase-in will be conducted, under a separate firm fixed price contract vehicle, during the 45-day period prior to the effective date of the contract. The anticipated firm fixed price contract phase-in start date is on or around August 23rd, 2012 with the IDIQ contract start date anticipated to be on or about October 9th, 2012.

The place of performance will be NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Maryland. There is space for approximately 39 onsite workers.

The Ocean Color IV Office has set up a library for this procurement. The library can be found at the following website: <http://oceancolor.gsfc.nasa.gov/procurement/>.

The Contracting Officer has determined that this acquisition may give rise to an organizational conflict of interest (OCI). Accordingly, the attention of prospective Offerors is invited to FAR Subpart 9.5 --Organizational Conflicts of Interest. An OCI Avoidance Plan will be required with proposals, as stated in Section L.8 of the RFP. Additionally, the offerors will be expected to list all current contracts and whether the award of the Ocean Color IV Contract would create an actual or an appearance of an OCI. If an appearance or actual OCI exists or would exist with this award, the offeror will be required to explain how it would effectively mitigate or neutralize the OCI.

NASA appreciates the comments received in response to the release of the Draft solicitation. These comments resulted in improvements to both the quality and the content of the RFP. Offeror's should review the RFP in its entirety.

All documents related to this procurement, including this letter, the solicitation, attachments, exhibits, and any amendments will be attainable electronically from the World Wide Web at:
<http://prod.nais.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/eps/bizops.cgi?gr=D&pin=51>. Offeror's are requested to periodically monitor the website for any potential updates.

This RFP does not commit NASA/GSFC to pay any proposal preparation costs, nor does it obligate NASA/GSFC to procure or contract for these items. This request should not be construed as authorization to proceed with, or be paid for charges incurred by performing any of the work called for in this solicitation.

Proposals in response to this solicitation are due no later than March 8, 2012, 3:00 PM Eastern Standard Time.

Below is a list of the Source Selection Authority (SSA) and voting members along with their associated GSFC organizational codes, for the Ocean Color IV Evaluation panel. The names provided are for informational purposes only and, other than the Contract Specialist, Lisa Mullen, these individuals should not be contacted regarding the Ocean Color IV acquisition. The Government reserves the right to change personnel associated with this acquisition at its discretion.

SSA

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Voting Members

Bryan Franz, Evaluation Panel Chair (614.2)

Lisa Mullen, Contract Specialist (210.6)

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Offeror's are reminded that a "Blackout" letter for this procurement was distributed to all GSFC personnel concurrently with the release of the Final RFP to industry. Therefore, all communications pertaining to this procurement shall be directed to the Contracting Officer listed below. All questions pertaining to the RFP shall be submitted in writing, by mail, or electronically to the Contracting Officer as soon as possible for consideration. If you have questions regarding this RFP, please contact Steven Kramer, via e-mail at Steven.T.Kramer@nasa.gov and/or Tammy Seidel at Tammy.E.Seidel@nasa.gov. Please copy Lisa Mullen on all e-mail transmittals at Lisa.A.Mullen@nasa.gov.



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